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**Inter Dairy Expo 2024:
Transforming India's Dairy Industry**



Inter Dairy

The "Inter Dairy Expo 2024" will be held at the Bombay Exhibition Centre in Mumbai from December 5 to 7, 2024. Organized by VA Exhibitions in collaboration with the Indian Dairy Association (West Zone), the event will showcase the growth of India's dairy sector with over 120 companies presenting innovations across the dairy value chain, including sustainable technology, packaging, and processing automation.

India, as the world's largest milk producer, contributed 230.58 million metric tons in 2023-24, representing around 24% of global production. The country's dairy market is projected to grow to USD 230 billion by 2030, driven by technological progress and government support. Dr. R.S. Sodhi, President of the Indian Dairy Association, highlighted the sector's importance in providing livelihoods for over 80 million rural households, with a special mention of women's contributions.

The event will feature a B2B segment with seminars on global market opportunities, a Start-up Zone, and networking opportunities. The expo will conclude on December 5 with the Inter Dairy Awards, recognizing excellence in India's dairy industry.

Amul Set to Enter European Market by Month-End



India's leading dairy brand, Amul, will expand into the European market by the end of this month, announced Jayen S. Mehta, Managing Director of the Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF), on Monday. This marks a significant step for Amul, which recently launched its products in the United States as part of its global expansion strategy.

GCMMF, known for its widely popular Amul brand, has established itself as a major player in India's dairy sector, providing a wide range of dairy products. The expansion into Europe reflects Amul's ambition to cater to an international audience while maintaining its commitment to quality and affordability. The European entry is expected to boost Amul's presence in global markets and enhance brand recognition worldwide.

Amul's move into Europe aligns with GCMMF's goal of taking Indian dairy products to a larger audience, supported by the high demand for quality dairy goods in international markets.

Ernakulam Milma Becomes India's First Fully Solar-Powered Dairy



The Ernakulam Regional Milk Producers Cooperative Society (Milma) has achieved a milestone by becoming India's first fully solar-powered dairy. Union Minister of State for Animal Husbandry and Dairy Development, George Kurian, inaugurated the 2-megawatt solar power project at Milma's Tripunithura facility on Saturday, featuring floating solar panels, carport-mounted panels, and ground installations.

With a total investment of Rs 16 crore, the project received Rs 9.2 crore in loans from the Dairy Processing and Infrastructure Development Scheme, along with Rs 6.8 crore from the Union government. The facility is expected to generate 2.9 million units of renewable energy each year, saving Milma approximately Rs 1.94 crore annually on electricity costs. Additionally, it will reduce carbon dioxide emissions by around 2,400 metric tonnes yearly, equivalent to planting 100,000 trees.

Minister Kurian lauded the project as a testament to sustainable development, noting that it demonstrates how innovation can convert environmental challenges into opportunities while meeting all of Milma's daytime energy needs.

DAHD Reviews Progress of Animal Husbandry and Dairying in Northern States

A Regional Review Meeting for Northern States and Union Territories was chaired by Alka Upadhyaya, Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD), to assess progress in strengthening the Animal Husbandry and Dairying sector. Representatives from Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, and Uttarakhand, along with senior officials from DAHD, participated in the meeting.



Key schemes, including the Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM), National Livestock Mission (NLM), National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP), and the Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme (LHDCP), were reviewed. Discussions focused on accelerating six-monthly vaccinations, improving sero-surveillance, and creating Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) Free Zones.

Secretary DAHD emphasized increasing dairy processing capacity and diversifying products while urging states to promote fodder cooperatives and entrepreneurship in goat, pig, and poultry sectors. The operationalization of Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs), formation of Pashukalyan Samities, and leveraging the AHIDF for wealth creation were highlighted as strategic priorities.

The meeting also underscored the importance of the 21st Livestock Census, urging stakeholders to utilize advanced technologies for successful implementation. Secretary DAHD encouraged Northern States to optimize fund utilization and enhance disease prevention measures for a resilient livestock sector.

Amul and Leading Companies Announce ₹250 Crore Investments in Odisha's Dairy and Food Processing Sectors



The Gujarat Co-operative Milk Marketing Federation Ltd (Amul) has announced plans to invest ₹250 crore in Odisha's dairy sector, addressing the state's significant milk supply gap of 30 lakh liters per day. R.S. Sodhi, Managing Director of Amul, revealed this during a seminar at World Food India 2017 in New Delhi. Odisha, currently the second-largest market for Amul in India, is poised to benefit greatly from this investment.

Other companies also expressed their intent to invest in Odisha's agribusiness and food processing sectors. Mayank Jalan, MD of Keventer Agro Ltd, proposed projects in maize processing, banana cultivation, and a food processing laboratory. Tata Global Beverages Ltd identified Odisha as a potential site for a ₹40 crore tea packaging unit, which would create 400 jobs.

Meanwhile, AGT Foods and its Canadian co-promoters announced plans for a ₹250 crore food processing unit near Paradeep. ITC and its subsidiary, Technico Technologies, promised to expedite their food plant project at Khurda.

Highlighting Odisha's appeal, Minister Prafulla Samal emphasized the state's food processing policies, mega food parks at Deras and Rayagada, and investor-friendly single-window facilitation. Additional Chief Secretary L.N. Gupta noted Odisha's agro-climatic diversity and surplus cereal and vegetable production, making it a prime destination for food processing investments.

Union Minister Inaugurates Investors' Meet 2024 in Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Highlights Dairy Sector Opportunities

The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, along with the A&N Administration, hosted the Investors' Meet 2024: Investment Opportunities in Fisheries and Aquaculture, showcasing the potential of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands in diverse sectors, including dairy. The event was inaugurated by Union Minister Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh, who emphasized the transformative initiatives and investments driven by the Government of India to bolster allied sectors.



The Minister highlighted flagship programs like the PMMSY, PM-MSKY, and FIDF, which have collectively attracted investments of over ₹38,572 crore since 2015. He noted the government's efforts to position the Andaman & Nicobar Islands as a hub for fisheries and dairy exports, leveraging their proximity to Southeast Asia.

Lieutenant Governor Admiral D.K. Joshi acknowledged logistical challenges and announced initiatives to address them, including direct flights to Southeast Asia to streamline trade.

The event also spotlighted the agriculture sector's opportunities, with a focus on developing modern infrastructure and sustainable practices. Investors and stakeholders were urged to explore untapped potential in milk production and processing, aligned with the government's vision for a self-reliant, resource-efficient, and export-oriented dairy sector in the region.

EKI Powers Carbon Credit Payments to Dairy Farmers via NDDB



In a pioneering move for India's dairy sector, farmers from Rajasthan and Assam received their first payments for carbon credits, thanks to a manure management initiative backed by EKI Energy Services Ltd. This landmark event took place during the Diamond Jubilee celebrations of the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) in Anand, Gujarat. Union Minister Amit Shah, along with other key government officials, was present to distribute the payments to the farmers, marking a significant step in promoting sustainable agriculture.

EKI Energy Services played a crucial role in assisting NDDB with the registration, verification, and trading of carbon credits as part of their biomethanation program. The initiative, which benefits over 1,000 dairy farmers across nine locations in seven states, is part of the Sustainable Livestock Program's Manure Management Initiative. By adopting sustainable practices, these farmers are not only earning additional income but also contributing to India's goal of achieving net-zero emissions.

Manish Dabkara, Chairman and Managing Director of EKI, emphasized the importance of carbon credit payments in enhancing the economic stability of farmers. Meanwhile, Meenesh Shah, Chairman and Managing Director of NDDB, discussed how their biogas-based manure management model helps farmers generate income while promoting environmental sustainability.

CEASI Activities

CEASI and Nuziveedu Seeds Sets Benchmark in Sustainable Farming with Direct Seeded Rice Initiative

In a significant achievement for the agricultural sector of Haryana, the state has successfully implemented Direct Sown Rice (DSR) cultivation across 1015 acres using herbicide-tolerant (HT) Basmati rice varieties. This initiative, developed by the Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) and distributed through NUZIVEEDU SEEDS LIMITED' premier seed brands, PB-1985 Goldstar HT and PB-1979 Superstar HT, has brought remarkable benefits to the farming community.

The adoption of HT Basmati rice under the DSR method in Haryana has boosted yields by 1.5–2 quintals per acre, saved farmers ₹5,000 per acre, and earned them a ₹4,000 government bonus. This method also conserved water and reduced cultivation time, promoting sustainable agriculture.

Key Project Highlights:

This initiative is a collaborative effort involving the Government of Haryana, the Department of Agriculture, Nuziveedu Seeds Limited, Hisar Agriculture University, supported by the Centre of Excellence for Agriculture Skills in India and Varaha Ag, a carbon withdrawal company. The HT technology is set to pave the way for rapid adoption of DSR in Basmati, clearing challenges and providing farmers with enhanced agricultural solutions.



Key Activities and Achievements:

1. Total Meetings Conducted: 200 sessions across various districts.
2. Districts Covered: Fatehabad, Hisar, Jind, Kaithal, Karnal, Panipat, Sirsa, Sonapat.
3. Farmers Engaged: Approximately 6,000+ farmers attended each session.
4. Total Demonstrations: 1015 demonstrations done.

Event Highlights:

The DSR success story was shared with Hon. Governor of Haryana, during a special presentation attended by Dr. Raja Sekhar Vundru, IAS, the Additional Chief Secretary (ACS) of the Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department, along with other key dignitaries.

The program included:

Farmer Success and Future Outlook:

The feedback and success stories shared by 15 prominent farmers highlighted the economic, practical, and environmental benefits of adopting HT Basmati rice. Haryana has set a benchmark, emerging as the leading state in India for reaping the benefits of DSR with herbicide-tolerant technology. This pioneering approach serves as a model for other states to follow, demonstrating how modern agricultural practices can be implemented effectively.

Who are we

The **Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India (CEDSI)** is working under “**Centre of Excellence for Agriculture Skills in India (CEASI)**” is an autonomous organization working under the aegis of “**Agriculture Skill Council of India (ASCI)**”, which is working under **Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE)** for skilling and capacity building of farmers, wage workers, self-employed professionals, extension workers etc. engaged in organized and unorganized segments of Agriculture & Allied sectors.

CEASI is an apex organization of Centres of Excellence in various sub-sectors of agriculture viz.

- Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India(CEDSI)
- Centre of Excellence for Horticulture Skills in India(CEHSI)
- Centre of Excellence for Farm Mechanization Skills in India(CEFMI)


CEDSI Membership will provide a unique platform for the industry leaders, policymakers, development practitioners, dairy scientists, researchers, students, and farmers to debate and discuss the issues of imminent importance to the dairy industry.





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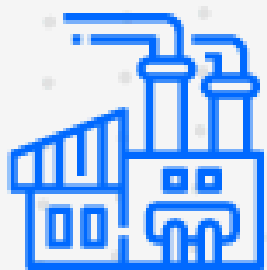


Centre of Excellence for Dairy Skills in India

Join Our Membership Drive and Get Benefits of

- ✓ Platform to interact with other members in the sector
- ✓ Networking opportunities with corporate leaders and government authorities
- ✓ Special costs of training in Skill India Certified Programmes
- ✓ Access to our Journal and Publications
- ✓ Expert advice in day-to-day operations and management of livestock /farm productions
- ✓ Free registration on the job portal and regular updates on job vacancies in the sector
- ✓ Recognize your organization with CEDSI Yearly Awards and Recognition
- ✓ Chance to reach across the board through advertising in our press releases, news and articles
- ✓ Consultative and advisory services to help members
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- ✓ Periodic e-newsletter for the latest news, govt. announcement and schemes in dairy sectors
- ✓ Updates on training programs of CEDSI and access to the training calendar

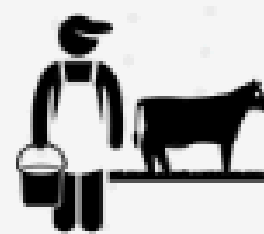
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Corporates/
Cooperatives



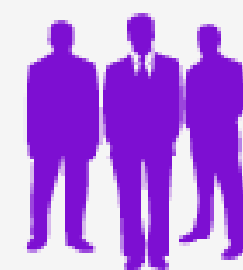
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Foundations



Dairy Farmers



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CEDSI : Reviving Skills and Generating Livelihood

Skill Training Programme for Farmers/ Students/ Entrepreneurs

- Dairy Farmer/ Entrepreneur
- Dairy Farm Supervisor
- Dairy Worker
- Animal Health Worker
- Artificial Insemination Technician
- Veterinary Field Assistant
- Veterinary Clinical Assistant
- Calf Rearing
- Farm Equipment Technician
- Dairy farm Economics and Management
- Industry Aligned Certification Programs (Unemployed Youth and Students)

FPO Oriented Training Programs

- FPO Member Orientation on Product Technology and Processes.
- FPO Market Linkage
- FPO Governance
- FPO Accounting

Flagship Skill Training Programme for Dairy Corporates and Cooperatives

- Chilling Plant Technician
- Bulk Milk Cooler Operator
- Village Level Milk Collection Centre Supervisor
- Milk Tester
- Green-house Gases Mitigation
- Milk Quality Assurance
- Milk Delivery Boy
- Milk Procurement & Input Supervisor
- Waste Management In Dairy Industry
- Feed And Fodder Management
- Clean Milk Production
- Decision Support System/ Data Analytics